

(E) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE TEEN EMPLOYMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PILOT PROGRAM.

(F) (1) "PROJECT" MEANS A WORK PROJECT THAT IS PERFORMED ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR THE BENEFIT OF SENIOR CITIZENS OR HANDICAPPED PERSONS OR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS OR CONSERVATION PROGRAMS IN PUBLIC PARKS.

(2) "PROJECT" COULD INCLUDE BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO MOWING, TRIMMING, PAINTING, WINDOW WASHING, TREE PRUNING, ASSISTING IN COMMUNITY FUND RAISING EFFORTS, OR EFFORTS TO ENHANCE THE AESTHETICS OF THE COMMUNITY.

(G) "RECIPIENT" MEANS A SENIOR CITIZEN OR PHYSICALLY OR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED PERSON, OR ORGANIZATION IN THE COMMUNITY INCLUDING COMMUNITY PARK AND RECREATIONAL AGENCIES.

(H) "SECRETARY" MEANS THE SECRETARY OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

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THERE IS A TEEN EMPLOYMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT. THE PROGRAM SHALL EMPLOY YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN TO WORK ON DESIGNATED PROJECTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY. WORK SHALL BE PERFORMED DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS ONLY.

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(A) THE SECRETARY SHALL ALLOCATE GRANTS TO THE COUNTIES OR BALTIMORE CITY TO EMPLOY ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS. A GRANT MAY NOT EXCEED 80 PERCENT OF THE ANTICIPATED COST OF THE PROJECT.

(B) (1) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS IF:

(I) THE PARTICIPANTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENROLL IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE COMMUNITY BY REASON OF AGE OR TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE COMMUNITY OR ARE GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL; AND

(II) THE PARTICIPANTS REFLECT THE DEMOGRAPHIC SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ETHNIC COMPOSITION OF THE COMMUNITY.

(2) THE SECRETARY MAY REQUEST DEMOGRAPHIC OR OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE PLANNING OR FROM ANY COMMUNITY PLANNING AGENCY.

(C) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SELECTION OF PROJECTS AND THE QUALIFICATIONS OF RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES. THE SECRETARY MAY REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO MATCH ITS CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY.

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